

REMARKS

The comments of the applicant below are each preceded by related comments of the examiner, shown in small, bold type.

Canceled claims have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 8-15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: As to Claims 8-10, 12-15, patentability resides in the limitation wherein the connector comprises a rigid coupling element, and the first electromagnetic coupler is formed on a surface of the rigid coupling element, in combination with the other limitations of base Claim 8. As to Claim 11, patentability resides in a viscous liquid on the first electromagnetic coupler, in combination with the other limitations of the claim.

The applicant acknowledges the examiner's indication of the patentability of these claims. Amendments have been made that recite rigid connectors and viscous liquids with a breadth that the applicant believes that the examiner will find patentable.

The fact that the applicant has addressed certain comments of the examiner does not mean that the applicant concedes other comments of the examiner that have not been addressed. The fact that the applicant has made arguments for the patentability of some claims does not mean that there are not other good reasons for patentability of those claims and other claims. The fact that the applicant has made claim amendments does not mean that the applicant concedes any of the examiner's positions with respect to those claims.

Enclosed is a \$140.00 check for excess claim fees. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, reference number 10559-684001.

Respectfully submitted,

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